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REMARKS

Claims 1-58 are pending in the application, with claims 1, 11, 21, 32, 43, 47, 51 and 55 being independent. Claims 21 and 51 have been amended. Support for these amendments may be found in the application at, for example, page 26, lines 10-12, and FIG. 5B.

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the Examiner's allowance of claims 1-20, 32-50 and 55-58.

Claims 21-31 and 51-54 have been rejected as being unpatentable over Ma (U.S. Patent Publication 2002/0142512A1). Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection because Ma does not describe or suggest "a pixel electrode electrically connected to the capacitance wiring," as recited in each of independent claims 21 and 51. In particular, the spirally patterned conductor layers of Ma, which the Examiner has equated with the recited capacitance wiring are not, and would not be, connected to a pixel electrode.

In addition, the Examiner's remarks seem to indicate that the planarization insulating film is limited to being a single layer. Applicant notes that this is not the case, and that claims 21 and 51 are intended to cover situations in which the planarization insulating film includes multiple layers. Such an arrangement is described in the application at, for example, page 18, lines 6-10.

Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance.

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